Right-of-Way Costs

(Appendix D, 1988 Road Jurisdiction Study)

The values presented were statistically derived by the DOT's Land Management Branch and were included in the 1988 Road Jurisdiction Study. The right-of-way cost estimates are presented in three categories: High Value Urban/Suburban, High Value Rural, and All Others. Inflation adjustments for right-of-way Costs need to reflect the change in property values. We recommend that persons preparing right-of-way costs contact their county assessor for an inflation schedule specific to their area. Use of the Consumer Price Index or Highway Statistics Tables may result in inaccurate cost estimating.

High Value Urban/Suburban (1988)

Location	Land Cost per	Other Costs per	Total Costs per
	Acre	Acre*	Acre
King County	\$85,000	\$25,500	\$110,500
Spokane County	\$75,000	\$22,500	\$97,500
Clark County	\$50,000	\$15,000	\$65,000
Pierce County	\$50,000	\$15,000	\$65,000
Snohomish County**	\$50,000	\$15,000	\$65,000

High Value Rural (1988)

Location	Land Cost per	Other Costs per	Total Costs per		
	Acre	Acre*	Acre		
King County	\$11,540	\$3,460	\$15,000		
Spokane County	\$10,150	\$3,050	\$13,200		
Clark County	\$6,800	\$2,000	\$8,800		
Pierce County	\$6,800	\$2,000	\$8,800		
Snohomish County**	\$6,800	\$2,000	\$8,800		

All Others

Location	Land Cost per	Other Costs per	Total Costs per
	Acre	Acre*	Acre
Urban	\$15,000	\$4,500	\$19,500
Rural	\$5,000	\$1,500	\$6,500

- * Administration, Condemnation, Approvals, etc.
- ** Added based on discussions by the Needs Technical Subcomittee.